

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 23 through February 26, 2021

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of the Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 11:30 a.m.

Following disposition of that nomination of Linda Thomas-Greenfield, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

At approximately 2:15 p.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Thomas J. Vilsack, of Iowa, to be Secretary of Agriculture.

Following disposition of the nomination of Thomas J. Vilsack, and if cloture has been invoked on the nomination of Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: February 23, to hold hearings to examine emerging technologies and their impact on national security, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense support to the COVID-19 response, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: February 23, to hold hearings to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the coronavirus crisis, focusing on next steps for rebuilding Main Street, 9:30 a.m., WEBEX.

Committee on the Budget: February 24, business meeting to consider the nomination of Neera Tanden, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Time to be announced, S-207, Capitol.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine poverty wages at large profitable corporations, 10:15 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 25, business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: February 23, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Debra Anne Haaland, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 24, to hold hearings to examine investing in transportation while addressing climate change, improving equity, and fostering economic growth and innovation, 10:15 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Finance: February 23, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., SD-106.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Katherine C. Tai, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: February 23, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-430.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, and Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: February 23, with the Committee on Rules and Administration, to hold a joint hearing to examine the January 6, 2021 attack on the Capitol, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

February 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Neera Tanden, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and committee rules of procedure for the 117th Congress, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: February 24, to hold hearings to examine native communities' priorities in focus for the 117th Congress, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 23, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Rules and Administration: February 23, with the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, to hold a joint hearing to examine the January 6, 2021 attack on the Capitol, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: February 24, business meeting to consider the nomination of Isabella Casillas Guzman, of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 24, to hold hearings to examine vaccines for vets, focusing on ending the COVID-19 pandemic, 4 p.m., SD-G50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: February 23, to hold hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William Joseph Burns, of Maryland, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing in SVC-217, 10 a.m., SR-301.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, February 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Climate Change and the U.S. Agriculture and Forestry Sectors", 12:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Appropriations, February 24, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled "Future Defense Spending", 9:30 a.m., Webex.

February 24, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, budget hearing on the Judiciary, 10 a.m., Webex.

February 24, Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Ready or Not: U.S. Public Health Infrastructure", 10 a.m., Webex.

February 24, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing entitled "Health and Wellness of Employees and State of Damage and Preservation as a Result of the January 6 Insurrection", 10 a.m., Webex.

February 25, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, oversight hearing on the Office of Inspector General, Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., Webex.

February 25, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing entitled "U.S. Capitol Police and House Sergeant at Arms, Security Failures on January 6", 10 a.m., Webex.

February 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Strategies for Energy and Climate Innovation", 2 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, February 24, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Fanning the Flames: Disinformation and Extremism in the Media", 12:30 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Ethics, February 25, Full Committee, organizational meeting, 3 p.m., 1015 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, February 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy", 10 a.m., Webex.

February 24, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "How Invidious Discrimination Works and Hurts: An Examination of Lending Discrimination and Its Long-term Economic Impacts on Borrowers of Color", 3 p.m., Webex.

February 25, Subcommittee on National Security, International Development, and Monetary Policy, hearing entitled "Dollars against Democracy: Domestic Terrorist

Financing in the Aftermath of Insurrection", 10 a.m., Webex.

February 25, Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship and Capital Markets, hearing entitled "The Challenge of Our Time: Climate Change, the Capital Markets, and Sustainable Investment", 2 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, February 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "America Forward: Restoring Diplomacy and Development in a Fracturing World", 1:30 p.m., Webex.

February 25, Full Committee, markup on legislation on Department of State Authorization Act of 2021; legislation on Cyber Diplomacy Act; H. Res. 124, supporting the people of Belarus and their democratic aspirations and condemning the election rigging and subsequent violent crackdowns on peaceful protesters by the illegitimate Lukashenka regime; H.R. 241, the "Tropical Forest and Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2021"; legislation on Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Act; legislation on condemning the continued violation of rights and freedoms of the people of Hong Kong by the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; legislation on condemning the military coup that took place on February 1, 2021, in Burma and the Burmese military detention of civilian leaders, calling for the release of all those detained and for those elected to serve in Parliament to resume their duties, and for other purposes; legislation on Protect Democracy in Burma Act of 2021; legislation on reaffirming the importance of upholding democracy, human rights, and the rule of law in United States foreign policy; and legislation on emphasizing the importance and interdependence of diplomacy and international development to American interests and national security, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Homeland Security, February 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Confronting the Coronavirus: Perspectives on the COVID-19 Pandemic One Year Later", 9:30 a.m., Webex.

Committee on House Administration, February 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Strengthening American Democracy", 4 p.m., Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 24, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled "The Need for New Lower Court Judgeships, 30 Years in the Making", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

February 24, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled "The Rise of Domestic Terrorism in America", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

February 25, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law, hearing entitled "Reviving Competition, Part 1: Proposals to Address Gatekeeper Power and Lower Barriers to Entry Online", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, February 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals to Put the Postal Service on Sustainable Financial Footing", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

February 26, Full Committee; and Full Committee of the House Committee on Homeland Security, joint hearing entitled “Weathering the Storm: The Role of Private Tech in the SolarWinds Breach and the Ongoing Campaign”, 9 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, February 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Building Back the U.S. Research Enterprise: COVID Impacts and Recovery”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Small Business, February 24, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Regulations, hearing

entitled “Perspectives from Main Street: Raising the Wage”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, February 24, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled “Examining Equity in Transportation Safety Enforcement”, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Ways and Means, February 26, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Path Forward on COVID-19 Immunizations”, 2 p.m., Webex.